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FOLLOWING REPEAT BAGHDAD 1551 SENT ACTION STATE JUN 08.

QUOTE: S E C R E T BAGHDAD 1551

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E.O. 12065: XDS-2,3 6/7/01 (EAGLETON, WILLIAM L.) OR-M
TAGS: PEPL, IS, IR
SUBJ: ISR. ELI ATTACK ON IRAQI NUCLEAR FACILITY

REF: STATE 148548

1. (S - ENTIRE TEXT)

2. UNTIL WE RECEIVED REFTEL, WE COULD ONLY SPECULATE THAT RAID, WHICH FROM BAGHDAD APPEARED TO BE IN THE DIRECTION OF THE IRAQI NUCLEAR FACILITY AT TUWAITHA, WAS THE WORK OF ISRAELI PLANES. RAID OCCURRED AT 6:25 P.M. LOCAL TIME AND DID NOT APPEAR TO ATTRACT ANY SAM'S OR ANTI-AIRCRAFT FIRE. HOWEVER, AN HOUR LATER DURING THE ITALIAN NATIONAL DAY RECEPTION BY THE TIGRIS, THERE WAS A 15-
MINUTE DISPLAY OF ANTI-AIRCRAFT MACHINE GUN TRACERS FIRING
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AT NO APPARENT TARGETS.

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3. IRAQI MEDIA HAVE NOT MENTIONED THE RAID. WE UNDERSTAND THE WORD IS ABOUT THAT SEVEN ISRAELI PLANES WERE INVOLVED. ONE RUMOR HAS IT THAT A BRIDGE ON THE BAGHDAD-CTESIPHON ROAD WAS HIT. WE HAVE NOT YET HEARD LOCAL RUMORS OF DAMAGE TO TUWAITHA. B-1 A5

FIRST REPORT IS THAT NO FRENCH OR ITALIANS WERE CASUALTIES. ALTHOUGH THERE WERE SOME IRAQI CASUALTIES. APPARENTLY SOME PART OF THE NUCLEAR FACILITY WAS HIT, THOUGH WE HAVE NO DETAILS YET ON DAMAGE. B-1 A3 A5

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6. DEPARTMENT REPEAT AS APPROPRIATE.
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